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THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 1891.

SIX DOLLARS
PER QUARTER

Banks.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.
Authorized Capital £1,000,000
Subscribed Capital 500,000

Head Office—Hongkong.

Court of Directors.
D. Gillies, Esq., Chairman, Esq.
Chun Kit Shan, Esq., W. Wotton, Esq.
C. J. Hirst, Esq., Quin Hol Chan, Esq.
A. B. McKean, Acting Chief Manager.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE IN LONDON.
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Palmer & Co.
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Co.
C. B. STUART-WORTLEY, Esq., M.P., for Hallam.
G. W. F. PLAYFAIR, Manager.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE, SHANGHAI.
Hui Fui Yuen, Esq., Lim Kwan King, Esq.
Ma Kie T'chong, Esq., Chu Ming Sang, Esq.
Tong Kwei Sang, Esq.
J. D. THORNBURN, Manager pro tem.

THE HEAD OFFICE now receives Money and
deposits and makes advances on Goods in
neutral Godowns, and upon other securities, on
terms to be had on application.
Hongkong, 27th August, 1891. [1166]

**THE NEW ORIENTAL BANK
CORPORATION, LIMITED.**

AUTHORISED CAPITAL £2,000,000
PAID-UP CAPITAL £80,000

Head Office.....40, Threadneedle Street,
West End Office.....25, Cockspur Street.

BRANCHES IN INDIA, CHINA, JAPAN
AND THE COLONIES.

THE BANK receives MONEY ON DEPOSIT,
Buys and Sells BILLS OF EXCHANGE,
Issues LETTERS OF CREDIT, forwards Bills for
COLLECTION, and Transacts Banking and
Agency Business generally, on terms to be had
on application.

INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS:
Fixed for 12 months, 4 per Cent. per Annum.
6 months, 3 1/2 per Cent. per Annum.
3 months, 3 per Cent. per Annum.
ON CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS
per Cent. per Annum on the Daily Balance.
E. W. RUTTER,
Manager. [1167]

Insurances.

**THE FUNDS
OF THE**

STANDARD LIFE OFFICE
ARE invested entirely within the British
Dominions and are thus free from the
complications which might arise in time of war.
They now amount to Seven Millions Sterling,
and have increased 50 per Cent. in the last 15
years.

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
Agents, Hongkong.

**SOUTH BRITISH FIRE AND MARINE
INSURANCE COMPANY OF
NEW ZEALAND.**

THE Underwritten are prepared to accept
FIRE and MARINE INSURANCES on
favourable terms.
Current rates and a guaranteed Bonus equal
to that paid by the local Office.

GEORGE R. STEVENS & Co.,
Agents,
No. 2, Queen's Road, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 31st March, 1891. [1168]

GENERAL NOTICE.

**THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY,
(LIMITED).**
CAPITAL, TAELS 600,000; £333,333 1/3.
RESERVE FUND £18,000,000.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
LEE SIMO, Esq., LO YUEN MOON, Esq.,
LOU TAO SHUN, Esq.,

MARINE RISKS on GOODS, &c., taken
at CURRENT RATES in all parts of the
world.

HEAD OFFICE: 5, PRINCE STREET,
Hongkong, 17th December, 1885. [1170]

NOTICE.

**THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY
LIMITED.**

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED £1,000,000.
The above Company is prepared to accept
MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on Goods,
&c. Policies granted to all Parts of the world
payable at any of its Agencies.

WOO LIN YUEN,
Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE:
No. 7, PRINCE STREET, WEST
Hongkong, 1st February, 1885. [1171]

Consignees.

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
S.S. "CARMARTHENSHIRE,"
FROM HAMBURG, ANTWERP, LONDON,
PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed
that all goods are being landed at their
respective Godowns of the Hongkong and
Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, at
Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves
delivery may be obtained.

Optional cargo will be forwarded unless notice
to the contrary be given before Noon.
No claims will be admitted after the Goods
have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining
undelivered after the 24th inst. will be subject
to sale.

All claims against the steamer must be
presented to the Underwriter on or before the
24th inst., or they will not be recognized.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 23rd September, 1891. [1172]

Intimations.

**THE CHINA BORNEO COMPANY,
LIMITED.**

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-
ORDINARY MEETING OF SHARE-
HOLDERS will be held at the Offices of Messrs.
Gibb, Livingston & Co., No. 6, Ice House Lane,
on SATURDAY, the 26th instant, at 12.30 p.m.,
for the purpose of confirming the Resolutions
passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting
held on the 10th inst., viz:—
1.—That the Company be wound up
voluntarily and that John Whalley of Hong-
kong be and he is hereby appointed Liquidator
for the purposes of such winding up.
2.—That the draft Agreement submitted
to this Meeting and expressed to be made
between this Company and its Liquidator of
the one part, and the Hongkong Borneo
Company, Ltd., of the other part, be and the
same is hereby approved, and that the said
Liquidator be and he is hereby authorized to
enter into an Agreement with such new
Company (whether incorporated in the terms
of the said draft, and to carry the same into
effect.

On the above Resolutions being passed the
proceedings as to the winding up of the Com-
pany, and the powers conferred on the Liquidator
will be proceeded with and exercised under
the provisions of Section CXLIX of Ordinance
No. 1 of 1865 of the Ordinances of Hongkong.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 10th September, 1891. [11213]

**DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
LIMITED.**

THE Ordinary General MEETING of
SHAREHOLDERS in the above Com-
pany will be held at the Company's Offices, on
SATURDAY, the 26th instant, at 11.30 a.m.,
for the purpose of receiving the Report of the
General Managers, together with a Statement of
Accounts to 30th June, 1891.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 17th to the 26th
September, both days inclusive.
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 14th September, 1891. [11226]

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NOTICE.

AT an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL
MEETING of the HONGKONG
JOCKEY CLUB held in the CITY HALL on
Friday, the 19th September instant, the following
Special Resolution was submitted to the Mem-
bers of the Hongkong Jockey Club and passed
unanimously, viz:—
"That Mr. ROBERT FRASER-SMITH shall be
expelled from the Hongkong Jockey Club
under Rule 40."

An EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEET-
ING of the HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB to
confirm the above Special Resolution will be
held in the City Hall on SATURDAY, the 26th
September instant, at 4 p.m.
By Order of the Stewards,
T. F. HOUGH,
Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, 12th September, 1891. [11218]

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of
the above Club will be held in the CITY
HALL, on FRIDAY, the 2nd October proximo,
at 4 p.m.

T. F. HOUGH,
Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, 12th September, 1891. [11236]

**SELAMA TIN MINING COMPANY,
LIMITED.**

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Second Ordinary General MEETING
of SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the
Office of the Company's Room No. 6, Connaught
House, on SATURDAY, the 10th October, at
12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving
the Report of the Directors and Statement of
Accounts to the 30th June, 1891.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 27th September to
10th October, both days inclusive.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
W. HUTTON POTTS,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 22nd September, 1891. [11241]

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

**TO AERATED WATER MANUFAC-
TURING AND OTHERS.**

NOTICE is hereby given that all AERATED
WATER BOTTLES and SYPHONS
bearing the Company's Name and Trade Mark
are its property and that any Manufac-
turer using the same or any Person or Persons
other than the Customers of the Firm found in
possession of the same will be proceeded against
as the law directs.

A. H. MANCELL,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 18th August, 1891. [11222]

BOARD AND LODGING.

VACANCIES for GENTLEMEN
BOARDERS, at 79, Wyndham Street.

Apply to
Mrs. SWANSTON,
Hongkong, 10th September, 1891. [11209]

DENTISTRY.

**FIRST CLASS WORKMANSHIP
AND
MODERATE FEES.**

M. R. WONG TAI-FONG,
Dentist,
(Formerly assisted by Dr. Wootton, and latterly
assistant to Dr. Rogers),
HAS REMOVED
TO
THE BANK BUILDINGS,
QUEEN'S ROAD,
(Above Messrs. Dalziel Bros. of China, Ltd.).

CONSULTATION FREE.

Hongkong, 27th July, 1891. [11209]

**HONGKONG TIMBER
YARD, WANCHAI.**

ORCHARD PINE SPARS and LUMBER
Always on Hand.
L. MALLORY,
Hongkong, 24th June, 1891. [11202]

Intimations.

CRUICKSHANK & CO., LD.

**FAMILY AND DISPENSING CHEMISTS,
AND
Commission Agents.**

JUST LANDED A FRESH LOT OF TOBACCOES.

"OLD RIP," "RICHMOND GEM,"
"OUR BOYS," "POSTILLION CAVENTISH,"
"WILSON'S BIRD'S EYE,"
"THREE CASTLES,"
"VERGINIA FLAKE,"
"CARTE BLANCHE,"
"GOLDEN CLOUD."

CIGARS.

Companies do General's most popular brands, in good condition always in stock.
Hongkong, 11th August, 1891. [117]

W. BREWER

JUST RECEIVED

GENTS RUSSIAN LEATHER BOOTS, in all sizes.

GENTS RUSSIAN LEATHER SHOES.

SOLID SOLED TENNIS SHOES.

MOROCCO LEATHER SLIPPERS.

DANCING-PUMPS, New Style with Silk tops.

W. BREWER,
UNDER HONGKONG HOTEL.

Hongkong, 15th September, 1891. [119]

SHOOTING SEASON, 1891.

FOR SALE.

ELEV'S GREEN, BLUE and BROWN CARTRIDGE CASES.
ELEV'S NEW DAMP-PROOF CARTRIDGE CASES.
PIGON and WILKS ALLIANCE POWDER.
FELT, CLOTH and GREASE-PROOF WADES.
NEWCASTLE CHILLED and ORDINARY SHOT.
GUN IMPLEMENTS and SPORTING SUNDRIES.
SPORTING CARTRIDGES, loaded to order.
DOUBLE BARRELLED FOWLING PIECES.
MARTINI-HENRI RIFLES, WINCHESTER REPEATING CARBINES.
SMITH & WESSON'S REVOLVERS.
SHOOTING SUITS, STOCKINGS, HATS, BOOTS, &c.

LANE CRAWFORD & CO.

Hongkong, 10th August, 1891. [119]

KELLY & WALSH, LD.

CHEAP SENSATIONAL AND POPULAR STORIES.

A PRIVATE DETECTIVE—Detective J.

D. Shea.
\$5,000 Reward—A. F. Pinkerton.
File 114—Emile Gaboriau.
Joseph Prickett, The Scotland Yard Detective,
by Inspector Murray.

One-Handed Purgals—Lieut. F. Laughlin.
The Stolen Will—Myron Pinkerton.
The Mail Robbery—James E. Stewart.
Dyke Darrel, The Railroad Detective—A. F.
Pinkerton.

A Sharp Night's Work—J. Franklin Fitts.
The Whitecap Murders—A. F. Pinkerton.
A Life for a Life—do.

The Runaway Wife—Capt. Simon O'Donnell.
The Criminal Queen—Ernest A. Young.
The Detective's Dilemma—Emile Gaboriau.
Link by Link—Nathan D. Urger.

Detective against Detective—Morris Redwing.
Fred Bennett, The Mormon Detective—U. S.
Marshall Bennett.

The forged check—F. Gardner.
The Great Cronin Mystery.
The severed head—F. Du Boisgobey.
Tracked to Death—Morris Redwing.

The Island Mystery—Lieut. Joseph Kipling.
The Stolen Laces—Denise Simmons.
The Conclaves—Ronald Rivers.
Marked for life—A. F. Pinkerton.

A Darling horse—Patrick Ryan.
Saved at the Scaffold—A. F. Pinkerton.
The Scarlet Handkerchief—Lo Jemly.
The Convicted—Frank Pinkerton.
A Woman's Revenge—Myron Pinkerton.

Veget—Charles Kingsley.
Westward Ho—do.
The Great Trunk Tragedy—Morris Redwing.

Falsely Accused—do.
The Robber King—Patrick D. Tyren.
Wit, Humor and Pathos—Ell Perkins.
In the heart of the Storm—Maxwell Gray.

The tales of Chloee—George Meredith.
American Notes—Rudyard Kipling.
A Social Departure—Sara Jeannette Duncan.

An American Girl in London—do.
Eric Brighteyes—Rudyard Kipling.
The light that failed—Rudyard Kipling.
Plein tales from the hills—do.

Tourmalin's Time Cheques—F. Anster.

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that it might be successfully used in vessels specially arranged for the purpose. Among the advantages of oil fuel is the immense saving in storage room and in weight carried, decrease in number of stokers needed, and the fact that a given weight of oil will make nearly twice as much steam as the same weight of coal. In addition is the absence of smoke, and saving of time and labor in cleaning grates and disposing of ashes. Among the disadvantages are the danger of explosion, the cost of the oil and the lack of supply stations for our war vessels abroad.

The list of advantages and disadvantages seem to be in favor of the former. The danger of explosion might be greatly reduced, and the cost seems to be more than counterbalanced by the saving in room and labor. As far as supply stations are concerned, the same objection can be made with regard to coal. For war vessels, where coal is not so great an object as with commercial vessels, the possibilities that oil offers are manifestly many. Yet there is still an element of uncertainty that leaves the matter one of experiment. But it ought not to remain there. Enough of advantages are promised to warrant the risk and expense of several trials, and it is expected that these will be made, if not by our own government, then by England or Russia. If oil should come into use as a substitute for coal in war vessels, its use for fuel in commercial vessels will undoubtedly follow.—*New York Maritime Register.*

PROGRESS OF SCIENCE.

Electrical science has made a greater advance in the last twenty years than in all the 600 historic years preceding.

Experiments made by Austrian military engineers with the new explosive, crasite, show that it has an explosive power twice that of dynamite.

Scientific men rely almost entirely upon the regularity of the motion of the moon for fixing and determining dates among the people of earlier civilization.

Dentists find that the electric light is particularly serviceable in discovering the form of the teeth, and in making a mold of the teeth, which is ordinarily difficult of detection.

A new food substance made by extracting the embryos of the wheat grain is said to contain twice as large a proportion of nitrogen as meat. It is called fromentine.

The well that is being bored at Wheeling in the interest of science has reached a depth of three-fourths of a mile. Progress is being made at the rate of about ten feet a day.

The zinc-tannin process of preparing wood to resist decay is proving a great success. It hardens the wood and makes it much more useful, especially when used for railroad ties.

The largest dam of any kind in the Southern Hemisphere is that at Beetaloo, South Australia. It is built of concrete, has a capacity of 800,000,000 gallons, and cost \$585,000.

For reasons of economy in cost, swiftness of construction and saving of space in buildings requiring tall chimneys, the material of construction now used is steel, with fire-brick and tile lining.

A Frenchman has invented an improved method of telegraphy, so that it is possible to transmit messages in a few minutes on a single wire. The message when delivered from the machine is type-written.

The latest plan to improve the draught of the engines of ocean steamers is to increase the height of the smoke-pipes. The new steamer Scot of the Cape Mail line is provided with pipes 120 feet high above the grates.

Very satisfactory results are now being obtained by some of the English paper-manufacturers in bleaching paper by electricity, the process rendering the paper perfectly white, without the use of any alkali.

A New York jeweler has hit upon a good plan for preventing robbery in his store. It is an electric arrangement for closing and locking the street door, which is operated by a push button behind the counter. It will also unlock the door.

The judicial authorities in Germany are preparing a report in which they favor electricity as a means of putting murderers to death. The French scientific journals also have ventured to prophesy that this method will supersede the guillotine in the near future.

The tide at the bottom of the mammoth Valley, which will be one of the greatest engineering feats of the century. It will open an almost inexhaustible supply of coal, and will serve as a drain for all the collieries in that vicinity.

Steam-pipes have been made in England from the same fiber. This material is subjected to tremendous hydraulic pressure and, having the property of being unaffected with moisture, will neither shrink nor swell, besides being a non-conductor of heat. The pipes are said to have a tensile strength twice that of steel pipes.

Machines for opening and cleaning cotton have recently been improved by an automatic feeding apparatus, applied to the feed apron, and by means of which one man can tend two machines when being fed with raw or bale cotton easier than he could heretofore tend one. A large amount of seeds and leaf is extracted by this device.

The high price of coal on Mexican railroads has resulted in the adoption of a novel type of compound engine on locomotives. The high-pressure cylinder is contained in the low-pressure cylinder, and a saving of 25 per cent in coal is obtained with only a little increase in weight.

The Atchison, Kan. *Chili* says that Dr. B. G. Colver of that city is the proprietor of a vine, which he has christened *potomato*, that will grow potatoes under the ground, in the usual fashion, and bear tomatoes as does the tomato plant, at the top. This is asking people to believe a good deal.

By a novel device heavy guns can now be aimed and fired with the greatest accuracy, without exposing the gunners and without their even seeing the object to be fired at. The principle used is that of so training the gun as to cause the object to be fired at to be reflected upon a screen at the rear of the gun.

There is said to be sixteen species of American trees the wood of which, when well seasoned, will sink into water. The heaviest of these is black iron-wood, which is 30 per cent heavier than water. A species of oak grows in Texas and New Mexico which when green will sink almost as quickly as iron.

BITS OF INFORMATION.

Crabs chew their food with their legs. There are 1,100,000 people in Liberia. The first postage stamp appeared in 1849.

Broad Street in Philadelphia is 113 feet wide. Pittsburgh was named after William Pitt in 1782.

Slavery was abolished in the British Colonies in 1833. "Adam History" begins with the sixteenth century.

The moon is equal to 334,000,000,000,000 candles. There are 1,000,000 French Canals in the United States.

The Vatican contains 208 staircases and 1,000 different rooms. France has about 150,000 miles of Macadamized roads.

The Sandwich Islanders' alphabet has only twelve letters.

Pope Sixtus in the fourth century, forbade priests to marry.

The United States Army numbers 27,190 men, including 2170 officers.

The most eastern point in the United States is Quoddy Head, Maine.

The true meaning of the word Illinois is now said to be "the plains."

Only 9 per cent of those engaged in war are killed on the field of battle.

Metal mirrors are now produced that reflect as well as those made of glass.

An English statistician estimates the world's indebtedness at \$150,000,000,000.

Plants grow faster between 4 and 6 a.m. than at any other time during the day.

A picture of President Jackson is on the \$10,000 note. You may never see it.

Frogs, toads and serpents never take food but that which they are satisfied is alive.

In all their wars, the British have won the splendid average of 82 per cent of the battles.

The largest railway depot in the world is at Birmingham, England. It covers eleven acres.

You cannot count a trillion. It would take over nine thousand years.

One horse-power is the ability to lift 33,000 pounds one foot a minute.

Some elephants can draw fifteen tons, lift ten cwt., and carry on their backs three tons.

Maine, North Dakota, South Dakota, Iowa and Kansas are the American Prohibition States.

More than 40 per cent of the white inmates of the United States almshouses are of foreign birth.

The Washington Monument is 555 feet high. The City Hall will be 557 feet 4 inches in height.

In 1865 the United States had 1,687 ships on the Navy list, the greatest and strongest fleet in its history.

The Mississippi, joined with the Missouri, 4,300 miles is the longest river in the world. The Amazon is 3,500 miles in length.

A tailor says that few men have evenly-balanced shoulders, the right almost invariably being lower than the left.

A flea can jump over a barrier 500 times his own height. As that rate a man could jump over a wall nearly a mile high.

New York has a copper house. There are more ducks in the Chinese Empire than in all the world outside of it.

A new substitute for ivory has been invented by a Norwegian. It is called jaccite and is made from skimmed milk. It will take any coloring.

The great telescope of Lord Rosse has a speculum six feet in diameter and fifty-five feet focus.

There are 41,500 names in New York city beginning with the letter S, while the letter Z lays claim to only nine.

New York has a copper house. Scientists believe the time not far distant when houses will be built of aluminum.

There are known to be 200 cities in the world with populations of over one hundred thousand persons each.

There are 720 women ordained or licensed to preach in the United States. It is not many years since there was not one.

The smallest known insect, the *Platylabus pumilus*, a parasite of the ichneumon, is but one-thirtieth of an inch in length.

According to unofficial figures, there were 144,000 Irish in the Federal armies during the civil war in America, and 176,000 Germans.

It is estimated that at least \$5,000,000 of the U. S. Government's paper money, supposed to be in circulation, has been lost or destroyed.

The United States, including Alaska, has an area of 602,990 square miles, and without Alaska, 3,005,000. Australia's area is 2,971,127.

Straight streets are unknown in China. They are purposely made crooked to confuse Satan, as the Chinese believe the devil travels in a straight line.

The number of people in the different races is estimated to be: Caucasian, 600,000,000; Mongolian, 600,000,000; black, 250,000,000; copper-colored, 17,000,000.

The tomato may be traced back to the sixteenth century, and although it is mentioned since then by several writers, it did not become a marketable edible till 1829.

With one or two trifling exceptions, the submarine cables of the world, which stretch over 120,000 nautical miles, and have cost \$200,000,000, are of British construction.

On the summit of Ben Morenhead may be seen the smallest tree that grows in Great Britain, it is known as the dwarf willow, and is, when mature, only about two inches in height.

The largest perfect diamond in the world is how the "Imperial," that was exhibited at the Paris Exposition last year. It is valued at \$5,000,000.

The catacombs of Rome contain the remains of about 6,000,000 human beings, and those of Paris about 3,000,000. The latter were formerly stone quarries.

The first railroad to carry passengers was the Stockton, England, and Darlington Company in 1825. The first railroad in the United States was in operation the following year.

Missouri is nearly as big as all New England. Within its limits are found such places as California, Nevada, Mexico, as well as Oregon, Washington, Texas and Scotland.

Montana is larger than the Empire of Turkey. Texas is larger than the whole Austrian Empire by 50,000 square miles, and New Mexico is larger than Great Britain and Ireland together.

Crime is more common in single life than in married life. In the former 33 in every 100 are married, while only 11 married men of the same number, have been convicted of crime.

Some land in Paris has been sold at the rate of \$2,000,000 per acre; some in London for that would cost \$5,000,000 per acre, and some in New York for a sum equal to \$8,000,000 per acre.

The first Cook excursion was made just fifty years ago. Thomas Cook took a party from Leicester to Longborough—113 miles, July 5, 1841—and that was the first of the famous cheap trips.

Two gun trees, which tower over 100 feet above a little river in Guatemala, are sixty feet in circumference, and their strong roots have pushed the foundation of the church out of place.

The natives of the Malay Peninsula have in use the smallest coin in the world; it is a water made from the resinous juice of a tree, and its value is estimated to be one ten-thousandth of a penny.

The great seal of the United States is affixed to nothing but treaties, proclamations, commissions, pardons and passports. The Government has had but two seals in the 100 years since its foundation.

The number of English words which have no rhyme in the language is large. Among them are month, silver, liquid, spirit, chimney, warmth, gold, syllable, music, breadth, width, depth, honor, iron and echo.

There are now over 325 electric railroads in the world, 90 per cent of them in this country. About 4,000 cars, 7,000 motors, 2,500 miles of track and 750,000 passengers carried in a year tell the rest of their story.

The estimate of the world's population in 1890 is—Europe, 380,000,000; Asia, 500,000,000; Africa, 150,000,000; Australia, 4,000,000; North America, 80,000,000; South America, 30,000,000. Total, 1,124,000,000.

THE SANDWICH ISLANDERS' ALPHABET HAS ONLY TWELVE LETTERS.

POPE SIXTUS IN THE FOURTH CENTURY, FORBODE PRIESTS TO MARRY.

THE UNITED STATES ARMY NUMBERS 27,190 MEN, INCLUDING 2170 OFFICERS.

THE MOST EASTERN POINT IN THE UNITED STATES IS QUODDY HEAD, MAINE.

THE TRUE MEANING OF THE WORD ILLINOIS IS NOW SAID TO BE "THE PLAINS."

ONLY 9 PER CENT OF THOSE ENGAGED IN WAR ARE KILLED ON THE FIELD OF BATTLE.

METAL MIRRORS ARE NOW PRODUCED THAT REFLECT AS WELL AS THOSE MADE OF GLASS.

AN ENGLISH STATISTICIAN ESTIMATES THE WORLD'S INDEBTEDNESS AT \$150,000,000,000.

PLANTS GROW FASTER BETWEEN 4 AND 6 A.M. THAN AT ANY OTHER TIME DURING THE DAY.

A PICTURE OF PRESIDENT JACKSON IS ON THE \$10,000 NOTE. YOU MAY NEVER SEE IT.

FROGS, TOADS AND SERPENTS NEVER TAKE FOOD BUT THAT WHICH THEY ARE SATISFIED IS ALIVE.

IN ALL THEIR WARS, THE BRITISH HAVE WON THE SPLENDID AVERAGE OF 82 PER CENT OF THE BATTLES.

THE LARGEST RAILWAY DEPOT IN THE WORLD IS AT BIRMINGHAM, ENGLAND. IT COVERS ELEVEN ACRES.

YOU CANNOT COUNT A TRILLION. IT WOULD TAKE OVER NINE THOUSAND YEARS.

ONE HORSE-POWER IS THE ABILITY TO LIFT 33,000 POUNDS ONE FOOT A MINUTE.

SOME ELEPHANTS CAN DRAW FIFTEEN TONS, LIFT TEN CWT., AND CARRY ON THEIR BACKS THREE TONS.

MAINE, NORTH DAKOTA, SOUTH DAKOTA, IOWA AND KANSAS ARE THE AMERICAN PROHIBITION STATES.

MORE THAN 40 PER CENT OF THE WHITE INMATES OF THE UNITED STATES ALMSHOUSES ARE OF FOREIGN BIRTH.

THE WASHINGTON MONUMENT IS 555 FEET HIGH. THE CITY HALL WILL BE 557 FEET 4 INCHES IN HEIGHT.

IN 1865 THE UNITED STATES HAD 1,687 SHIPS ON THE NAVY LIST, THE GREATEST AND STRONGEST FLEET IN ITS HISTORY.

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THE SMALLEST KNOWN INSECT, THE *PLATYLABUS PUMILUS*, A PARASITE OF THE ICHEMNOM, IS BUT ONE-THIRTIETH OF AN INCH IN LENGTH.

ACCORDING TO UNOFFICIAL FIGURES, THERE WERE 144,000 IRISH IN THE FEDERAL ARMIES DURING THE CIVIL WAR IN AMERICA, AND 176,000 GERMANS.

IT IS ESTIMATED THAT AT LEAST \$5,000,000 OF THE U. S. GOVERNMENT'S PAPER MONEY, SUPPOSED TO BE IN CIRCULATION, HAS BEEN LOST OR DESTROYED.

THE UNITED STATES, INCLUDING ALASKA, HAS AN AREA OF 602,990 SQUARE MILES, AND WITHOUT ALASKA, 3,005,000. AUSTRALIA'S AREA IS 2,971,127.

STRAIGHT STREETS ARE UNKNOWN IN CHINA. THEY ARE PURPOSELY MADE CROOKED TO CONFUSE SATAN, AS THE CHINESE BELIEVE THE DEVIL TRAVELS IN A STRAIGHT LINE.

THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE IN THE DIFFERENT RACES IS ESTIMATED TO BE: CAUCASIAN, 600,000,000; MONGOLIAN, 600,000,000; BLACK, 250,000,000; COPPER-COLORED, 17,000,000.

THE TOMATO MAY BE TRACED BACK TO THE SIXTEENTH CENTURY, AND ALTHOUGH IT IS MENTIONED SINCE THEN BY SEVERAL WRITERS, IT DID NOT BECOME A MARKETABLE EDIBLE TILL 1829.

WITH ONE OR TWO TRIFLING EXCEPTIONS, THE SUBMARINE CABLES OF THE WORLD, WHICH STRETCH OVER 120,000 NAUTICAL MILES, AND HAVE COST \$200,000,000, ARE OF BRITISH CONSTRUCTION.

ON THE SUMMIT OF BEN MORENHEAD MAY BE SEEN THE SMALLEST TREE THAT GROWS IN GREAT BRITAIN, IT IS KNOWN AS THE DWARF WILLOW, AND IS, WHEN MATURE, ONLY ABOUT TWO INCHES IN HEIGHT.

THE LARGEST PERFECT DIAMOND IN THE WORLD IS HOW THE "IMPERIAL," THAT WAS EXHIBITED AT THE PARIS EXPOSITION LAST YEAR. IT IS VALUED AT \$5,000,000.

THE CATACOMBS OF ROME CONTAIN THE REMAINS OF ABOUT 6,000,000 HUMAN BEINGS, AND THOSE OF PARIS ABOUT 3,000,000. THE LATTER WERE FORMERLY STONE QUARRIES.

THE FIRST RAILROAD TO CARRY PASSENGERS WAS THE STOCKTON, ENGLAND, AND DARLINGTON COMPANY IN 1825. THE FIRST RAILROAD IN THE UNITED STATES WAS IN OPERATION THE FOLLOWING YEAR.

MISSOURI IS NEARLY AS BIG AS ALL NEW ENGLAND. WITHIN ITS LIMITS ARE FOUND SUCH PLACES AS CALIFORNIA, NEVADA, MEXICO, AS WELL AS OREGON, WASHINGTON, TEXAS AND SCOTLAND.

MONTANA IS LARGER THAN THE EMPIRE OF TURKEY. TEXAS IS LARGER THAN THE WHOLE AUSTRIAN EMPIRE BY 50,000 SQUARE MILES, AND NEW MEXICO IS LARGER THAN GREAT BRITAIN AND IRELAND TOGETHER.

CRIME IS MORE COMMON IN SINGLE LIFE THAN IN MARRIED LIFE. IN THE FORMER 33 IN EVERY 100 ARE MARRIED, WHILE ONLY 11 MARRIED MEN OF THE SAME NUMBER, HAVE BEEN CONVICTED OF CRIME.

SOME LAND IN PARIS HAS BEEN SOLD AT THE RATE OF \$2,000,000 PER ACRE; SOME IN LONDON FOR THAT WOULD COST \$5,000,000 PER ACRE, AND SOME IN NEW YORK FOR A SUM EQUAL TO \$8,000,000 PER ACRE.

THE FIRST COOK EXCURSION WAS MADE JUST FIFTY YEARS AGO. THOMAS COOK TOOK A PARTY FROM LEICESTER TO LONGBOROUGH—113 MILES, JULY 5, 1841—AND THAT WAS THE FIRST OF THE FAMOUS CHEAP TRIPS.

TWO GUN TREES, WHICH TOWER OVER 100 FEET ABOVE A LITTLE RIVER IN GUATEMALA, ARE SIXTY FEET IN CIRCUMFERENCE, AND THEIR STRONG ROOTS HAVE PUSHED THE FOUNDATION OF THE CHURCH OUT OF PLACE.

THE NATIVES OF THE MALAY PENINSULA HAVE IN USE THE SMALLEST COIN IN THE WORLD; IT IS A WATER MADE FROM THE RESINOUS JUICE OF A TREE, AND ITS VALUE IS ESTIMATED TO BE ONE TEN-THOUSANDTH OF A PENNY.

THE GREAT SEAL OF THE UNITED STATES IS AFFIXED TO NOTHING BUT TREATIES, PROCLAMATIONS, COMMISSIONS, PARDONS AND PASSPORTS. THE GOVERNMENT HAS HAD BUT TWO SEALS IN THE 100 YEARS SINCE ITS FOUNDATION.

THE NUMBER OF ENGLISH WORDS WHICH HAVE NO RHYME IN THE LANGUAGE IS LARGE. AMONG THEM ARE MONTH, SILVER, LIQUID, SPIRIT, CHIMNEY, WARMTH, GOLD, SYLLABLE, MUSIC, BREADTH, WIDTH, DEPTH, HONOR, IRON AND ECHO.

THERE ARE NOW OVER 325 ELECTRIC RAILROADS IN THE WORLD, 90 PER CENT OF THEM IN THIS COUNTRY. ABOUT 4,000 CARS, 7,000 MOTORS, 2,500 MILES OF TRACK AND 750,000 PASSENGERS CARRIED IN A YEAR TELL THE REST OF THEIR STORY.

THE ESTIMATE OF THE WORLD'S POPULATION IN 1890 IS—EUROPE, 380,000,000; ASIA, 500,000,000; AFRICA, 150,000,000; AUSTRALIA, 4,000,000; NORTH AMERICA, 80,000,000; SOUTH AMERICA, 30,000,000. TOTAL, 1,124,000,000.

THE SANDWICH ISLANDERS' ALPHABET HAS ONLY TWELVE LETTERS.

POPE SIXTUS IN THE FOURTH CENTURY, FORBODE PRIESTS TO MARRY.

THE UNITED STATES ARMY NUMBERS 27,190 MEN, INCLUDING 2170 OFFICERS.

THE MOST EASTERN POINT IN THE UNITED STATES IS QUODDY HEAD, MAINE.

THE TRUE MEANING OF THE WORD ILLINOIS IS NOW SAID TO BE "THE PLAINS."

ONLY 9 PER CENT OF THOSE ENGAGED IN WAR ARE KILLED ON THE FIELD OF BATTLE.

METAL MIRRORS ARE NOW PRODUCED THAT REFLECT AS WELL AS THOSE MADE OF GLASS.

AN ENGLISH STATISTICIAN ESTIMATES THE WORLD'S INDEBTEDNESS AT \$150,000,000,000.

PLANTS GROW FASTER BETWEEN 4 AND 6 A.M. THAN AT ANY OTHER TIME DURING THE DAY.

A PICTURE OF PRESIDENT JACKSON IS ON THE \$10,000 NOTE. YOU MAY NEVER SEE IT.

FROGS, TOADS AND SERPENTS NEVER TAKE FOOD BUT THAT WHICH THEY ARE SATISFIED IS ALIVE.

IN ALL THEIR WARS, THE BRITISH HAVE WON THE SPLENDID AVERAGE OF 82 PER CENT OF THE BATTLES.

THE LARGEST RAILWAY DEPOT IN THE WORLD IS AT BIRMINGHAM, ENGLAND. IT COVERS ELEVEN ACRES.

YOU CANNOT COUNT A TRILLION. IT WOULD TAKE OVER NINE THOUSAND YEARS.

ONE HORSE-POWER IS THE ABILITY TO LIFT 33,000 POUNDS ONE FOOT A MINUTE.

SOME ELEPHANTS CAN DRAW FIFTEEN TONS, LIFT TEN CWT., AND CARRY ON THEIR BACKS THREE TONS.

MAINE, NORTH DAKOTA, SOUTH DAKOTA, IOWA AND KANSAS ARE THE AMERICAN PROHIBITION STATES.

MORE THAN 40 PER CENT OF THE WHITE INMATES OF THE UNITED STATES ALMSHOUSES ARE OF FOREIGN BIRTH.

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